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LETTER DATED 26 OCTOBER 1998 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF POLAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to draw your attention to the text of Decision No. 263 concerning the establishment of the Kosovo Verification Mission, adopted by the Permanent Council of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe on 25 October 1998 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Eugeniusz WYZNER
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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Annex

Decision No. 263 adopted by the Permanent Council of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe on 25 October 1998

The Permanent Council,

Acting in accordance with its Decision No. 259 (PC.DEC/259) and the agreement signed by the Chairman-in-Office (CiO) of the OSCE and the Foreign Minister of the FRY (CIO.GAL/65/98),

Noting the United Nations Security Council resolution No. 1203,

Decides:

1. To establish the Kosovo Verification Mission (KVM) in accordance with the mandate contained in the agreement signed by the CiO (CIO.GAL/65/98);

2. To authorize immediate start-up deployment of the KVM;

3. To establish the KVM for one year, with extensions upon the request of either the OSCE Chairman-in-Office or the FRY Government;

4. To request hereby OSCE States to contribute personnel and funding for the KVM in accordance with established procedures;

5. To task the Secretary-General, taking account of offers of voluntary contributions, to establish urgently the budget for the KVM for the approval of the Council.